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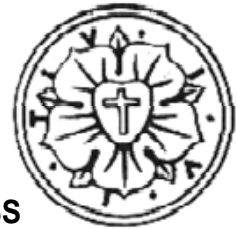
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March 15, 2009

The Third Sunday in Lent

8:00 & 9:30 Holy Communion



Welcome to worship at Pilgrim Lutheran Church. Today we are following the purple service booklet, and the hymns can be found in the Evangelical Lutheran Worship book located in the pew. Feel free to check with a neighbor if you are unsure of where we are at any time during the service. We meet as God's people, brought here by the Holy Spirit.

We are blessed to have you here with us today.

**There is coffee available for all in the Christian Life Center following our services. Please join us!**

Prelude	<i>God So Loved the World</i>	J. Stainer Don and Lois Williams, Duet
Gathering Song	<i>Christ is Made the Sure Foundation</i>	#645
Hymn of the Day	<i>All My Hope on God is Founded</i>	#757
Offering Music	Two Songs from the Iona Community <i>Firstborn of Mary and Listen Lord</i>	J. L. Bell
Music During Distribution	<i>I Am the Bread of Life</i> <i>Precious Lord, Take My Hand</i> <i>Restore in Us, O God</i> <i>Eat This Bread</i>	#485 #773 #328 #472
Sending Song	<i>God of Grace and God of Glory</i>	#705
Postlude	<i>Andante</i>	L. Lefebury-Wely

## SERVING THIS WEEK – March 15, 2009

**Altar Guild:** Virginia Smith, Sylvia Collins, Helen Varin & Nancy Lewis † **Greeters:** Robert & Susan Dubuque † **Ushers:** Susan Simundson, Harry Eminger, and Robert & Susan Dubuque † **Acolytes:** Nina Stiener & Tyler Phillips † **Reader:** Roy Wagner † **Communion Assistants:** Bruce & Elaine Belvin † **Eucharistic Minister:** Gayle Sangster † **Anna's Place (Food Pantry) Team C for March 19:** John & Tina Carlson, Dick Hamblin, Gayle Sangster, Ellie Rydant, Sue Jordan, and Michelle Murphy

## SERVING NEXT WEEK – March 22, 2009

**Altar Guild:** Evelyn Doyle, Dorothy Bishop & Muriel Linden † **Greeters:** Fred & Laurie Linden † **Ushers:** Rick Nelson, Kristen Resendes, and Bruce & Elaine Belvin † **Acolytes:** Christian Michaelsen † **Reader:** Kathy Gremel † **Communion Assistants:** Betsy Canino & Jo-Anne Doyle † **Eucharistic Minister:** *Needed...please sign up!* † **Anna's Place (Food Pantry) Team D for March 26:** Joan Baker, Gayle & Bob Sangster, Ellie Rydant, Sandra Davies, Fred Graefe, and Denise Duruda.



### ALTAR FLOWERS

The altar flowers today are given to the glory of God  
by The Wagner Family to honor Janet's birthday,  
and by David & Marie Grist in honor of their family, children, and grandchildren.

### THIS WEEK AT PILGRIM

<b>Today</b>	<b>3/15</b>	Pilgrims' Progress Deadline
		8:00 a.m. Holy Communion
		9:30 a.m. Sunday School
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<b>Monday</b>	<b>3/16</b>	~ Sister's Day Off ~
		7:00 p.m. Adult Bible Study – Rediscovering God's Gift of Grace
		7:00 p.m. Spanish Class
		7:00 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>3/17</b>	9:30 a.m. Pastors' Pericope
		7:00 p.m. Confirmation – Huddle for Teachers (no kids)
		7:00 p.m. Gospel of John Bible Study
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>3/18</b>	1:00 p.m. Women's Bible Study
		6:30 p.m. Lenten Prayer Service
		7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal
		7:00 p.m. Yoga
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>3/19</b>	1:00 p.m. Anna's Place - Food Pantry
		7:00 p.m. Congregation Council Meeting
		7:00 p.m. Spanish Class
<b>Friday</b>	<b>3/20</b>	~ Pastor's Day Off ~
		7:00 p.m. Women's Bible Study
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>3/21</b>	7:00 p.m. Narcotics Anonymous

## ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT

**MARCH 15, 2009**

- ✧ **Pastor Kohl's Adult Bible Study meets tomorrow evening, March 16 at 7:00 p.m.** The subject of the discussion will be rediscovering God's gift of grace. This study is designed for people who are beginning to connect with their Bible or people who want to get in touch with the basics.
- ✧ **Please join leader Karin Kohl for a journey through the Gospel of John on Tuesday evenings at 7:00 p.m.** John is known as the most theological of the gospels, but don't let that scare you...it is together around God's word, and with the inspiration of the Holy Spirit that we are all led to new insights into that word. Join us!
- ✧ **Our beginning Spanish language class will be held every Monday and Thursday evening at 7:00 p.m.** through the end of May.
- ✧ **Women's Bible Study is scheduled for this Friday, March 20 at 7:00 p.m. here at church.** All women are welcome! The **daytime study** for women will meet on **Wednesday, March 18 at 1:00 p.m.** Bring your Bible!
- ✧ **The Altar Guild will be accepting donations for the Easter Memorial Garden on Sunday, March 29 and Palm Sunday, April 5, when a member of the Altar Guild will be at a table in the narthex (the hallway outside the church) on these days to assist you.** Easter flower offering envelopes were sent in the March issue of the Pilgrims' Progress, and additional envelopes will also be available. If you would like to donate flowers on Easter Sunday in memory of a loved one, please fill out the envelope in clear print, enclose your (good will) donation, and place it in the offering plate. All Easter Flower envelopes must be received no later than Palm Sunday (April 5). If you have questions, please contact Linda Phillips or any member of the Altar Guild.
- ✧ **The Pilgrim Clothing Ministry is now accepting spring and summer items for men, women and children.** Please—no heavy sweaters, coats, or obvious winter items. Thanks for your support!
- ✧ **Anna's Place (the Pilgrim Food Pantry) continues to meet the needs of up to 60 families every Thursday afternoon.** Please consider donating jars of spaghetti sauce, pasta, and supermarket cards in the weeks ahead as we gather items for Easter Week distribution. Thank you for your continued support of Anna's Place.
- ✧ **Eucharistic Ministers are very much needed in the weeks ahead.** Please sign up on the sheet posted on the office bulletin board if you are able to help.

- ✧ **Coming soon...the Lutheran Study Bible.** The text of this Bible is the New Revised Standard Version, and the notes are outstanding, which is why you would buy a study Bible! See sample pages and sign up on Pastor Kohl's door if you would like to order one. There will be a discount offered if enough copies are ordered.
- ✧ **Inquiring minds want to know...are there questions you have about the ministry of the Church here at home or abroad?** Is there something you want to share about ministry here at home or abroad? Please let Pastor Kohl know. We are beginning a series of articles and brief information pieces on Sunday to interpret and share the work of Jesus through our life together at Pilgrim Church, the New England Synod, the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America and the Lutheran World Federation.
- ✧ **Do you have a passion for advocacy?** Would you like to be informed about local state and national events? The Social Ministry Committee has a sign-up sheet posted on the office bulletin board, and Sister Carol will include you on her e-mail list for rallies, prayer vigils, and letter writing. And of course, prayer is always powerful! Let Sister Carol know if you'd like to be included.
- ✧ **Help support the Good Friday walk** to raise awareness for the plight of the hungry and homeless in our communities! Sign up to walk or to be a sponsor—forms are in the narthex.
- ✧ **Considering purchasing a ticket for the one-man drama "But for the Grace"**, being performed on March 18 at 7:00 p.m. at Beneficent Congregational Church in Providence. Fliers for this event are available in the narthex. Questions? See Sister Carol or Tom Miller.
- ✧ **Save the date for *You Are the Light*, a massed choir concert under the direction of our own Kajsja Teitelbaum being performed here at Pilgrim on Sunday evening, April 26 at 7:00 p.m.** Selections will include praise music from different time periods, ending with Ralph Vaughn-Williams *Five Mystical Songs*. Join us!
- ✧ **To stay current with activities at Pilgrim Church**, check out our web page, [www.pilgrimlutheranri.org](http://www.pilgrimlutheranri.org).



Because all that we have belongs to God, our goal in using  
 that which belongs to God is to glorify God.  
 So whatever you eat or drink, or whatever you do,  
 do everything for the glory of God.

1 Corinthians 10:31





**Our prayers are requested for these members  
and friends of Pilgrim Church:**

Fran Buckley  
Pastor John Carlson  
Jim  
Sister Mary Muara  
Muriel McLaughlin  
Dorothy Mott  
The Rev. Daniel Simundson  
Pastor Elizabeth Krentz-Wee  
Arnis Abols  
Gladys Lamereaux  
Joyce Rouillard  
Tom Remming  
Annie Walsh  
Tobias Källkvist  
Kayla Gilbert  
Dennis Sendra  
Jules  
Mark Doyle  
Martha Grant  
Real Lesieur  
Sister Ginny  
Stan Larson  
Carmine Bianco  
Kimberly  
Kathy Noonan  
Sister Carmen Ramirez  
Alice McManus

Father Michael (Cheney)  
Pastor Rob Harris  
Bradford Lundin  
Maria Davis  
Kevin Doyle  
Hazel Hawcroft  
Helen Nicholls  
Shannon  
Bruce  
Bill Bishop  
Elizabeth Smith  
John Thell  
Carlton Freese  
Baby Drew  
Jay Young  
Walter Oakes  
Brandi  
Courtney Hollingworth  
Eddie  
Nicole Elliot  
Zoë Sendling Ortiz  
Ryan Russell  
John McElhenny  
Brian Rigney  
Will  
Beverly Doyle  
Arlys Hopkins

**FIRST READING: Exodus 20:1-17**

God spoke all these words:

<sup>2</sup>I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery; <sup>3</sup>you shall have no other gods before me.

<sup>4</sup>You shall not make for yourself an idol, whether in the form of anything that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. <sup>5</sup>You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I the LORD your God am a jealous God, punishing children for the iniquity of parents, to the third and the fourth generation of those who reject me, <sup>6</sup>but showing steadfast love to the thousandth generation of those who love me and keep my commandments.

<sup>7</sup>You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the LORD your God, for the LORD will not acquit anyone who misuses his name.

<sup>8</sup>Remember the sabbath day, and keep it holy.

<sup>9</sup>Six days you shall labor and do all your work.

<sup>10</sup>But the seventh day is a sabbath to the LORD your God; you shall not do any work—you, your son or your daughter, your male or female slave, your livestock, or the alien resident in your towns. <sup>11</sup>For in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, but rested the seventh day; therefore the LORD blessed the sabbath day and consecrated it.

<sup>12</sup>Honor your father and your mother, so that your days may be long in the land that the LORD your God is giving you.

<sup>13</sup>You shall not murder.

<sup>14</sup>You shall not commit adultery.

<sup>15</sup>You shall not steal.

<sup>16</sup>You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

<sup>17</sup>You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or male or female slave, or ox, or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.

**Psalm 19****SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 1:18-25**

The message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. <sup>19</sup>For it is written,

"I will destroy the wisdom of the wise,  
and the discernment of the discerning  
I will thwart."

<sup>20</sup>Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? <sup>21</sup>For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe. <sup>22</sup>For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, <sup>23</sup>but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, <sup>24</sup>but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. <sup>25</sup>For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength.

**GOSPEL: John 2:13-22**

The Passover of the Jews was near, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. <sup>14</sup>In the temple he found people selling cattle, sheep, and doves, and the money changers seated at their tables. <sup>15</sup>Making a whip of cords, he drove all of them out of the temple, both the sheep and the cattle. He also poured out the coins of the money changers and overturned their tables. <sup>16</sup>He told those who were selling the doves, "Take these things out of here! Stop making my Father's house a marketplace!" <sup>17</sup>His disciples remembered that it was written, "Zeal for your house will consume me." <sup>18</sup>The Jews then said to him, "What sign can you show us for doing this?" <sup>19</sup>Jesus answered them, "Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up." <sup>20</sup>The Jews then said, "This temple has been under construction for forty-six years, and will you raise it up in three days?" <sup>21</sup>But he was speaking of the temple of his body. <sup>22</sup>After he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this; and they believed the scripture and the word that Jesus had spoken.

**Next Sunday's Readings:** Numbers 21:4-9; Psalm 107:1-3, 17-22; Ephesians 2:1-10; John 3:14-21.

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